



News Letter

MIAMI SKI CLUB INC. P.O. BOX 560943 PINECREST, FL 33256-0943

JANUARY 2006

Happy hours

January 6, 6-8 PM

Villagio/Merrick Pk. (drink spec., appetizers!)
358 San Lorenzo Ave.
Coral Gables, (305) 447-8144

January 13, 6-8 PM

Tobacco Road (HH drinks, appetizers, outside!)
626 South Miami Avenue
Miami, (305) 374-1198

January 20 6-8 PM (appetizers!)

Grand Cafe/Grand Bay Hotel
2669 So. Bayshore Drive
Coconut Grove, (305) 858-9600

January 27 6-8 PM (2 for 1 drinks, appetizers!)

Nikki Marina Restaurant
3660 South Ocean Drive
Hollywood, (954) 602-8930

Dine-a-round

Tuesday, January 31, 7:00 PM

Provence Grill

1001 S. Miami Avenue Miami (305) 373-1940

Start the evening off with cocktails at the atmospheric indoor-outdoor bar at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. You may choose one appetizer, one entree, and one dessert (including one glass of wine and coffee/tea with dessert) Listed are the choices: *Endive and Watercress Salad with blue cheese and candied walnuts* or *Pumpkin Soup* or *Spicy Curry Mussels* *Roasted Organic Chicken with Garlic Confit and Thyme* or *Grilled Churasco with Pepper Corn Sauce served with French fries and green beans* or *Pan Seared Escolar with Lemon Confit and balsamic reduction*. Dessert will be either *Apple Crumble w/Vanilla Ice Cream* or *Chocolate Mousse*. A little piece of Provence in Brickell.

Please R.S.V.P. and make your \$40 check payable to the Miami Ski Club and send it to **H. Allen Benowitz**, 1865 Brickell Avenue, A Tower, Penthouse 11, Miami, FL 33129-1657. Questions or directions, call Allen evenings at **(305) 856-1402**

Concert at Barnacle

Sunday, January 29, 6:00 PM

3485 Main Highway, Coconut Grove

Kick up your heels with the Flying Turtles Band playing traditional American music while Rae Newoman calls the dance steps. Dance instruction for these traditional American folk dances is included. Dances such as circles, squares, contras and waltzes were all the rage in the 1800s, so come on out and dance like it's 1891!

Cost: **\$10 (members)** \$12 (non-members). Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and mail to **Sandy Londono** c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Ste 410, Coral Gables, Florida 33146. If you need more information call Sandy at (305) 663-2964 or email her at specialevent@miamiskiclub.com.

Theater

Thursday, February 9, 2005, 7:30 PM

Coconut Grove Playhouse

3500 Main Highway, Coconut Grove

Southern Comforts stars the Tony Award winner Hal Holbrook and this play is sure to be a delight. The play is centered around long-time widow Amanda Cross (played by Dixie Carter). When Amanda visits a small northern New Jersey town, she isn't prepared to have her peaceful life turned upside down. Then she meets Gus Klingman, a cantankerous widower. Beautiful and deliciously southern, Amanda peels away the rough layers of Gus' unhappy heart to reveal the silenced passions of a man and a lover. Can love between such opposites last?

Please make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club for **\$30 (members)** and \$35 (non-members) and mail to **Sandy Londono** c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates, 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Ste. 410, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Any questions please call Sandy at **(305) 448-1663 ext 108** or email her at specialevents@miamiskiclub.com.



Letter from the Prez...

Well, I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and that you are recuperating from the New Year's Eve cheer. For me, this is my favorite time of the year. I love the brilliant colors, the smell of Christmas trees, and for the most part, people are much nicer to one another. The best part of the holidays, of course, is knowing that ski season is just a few weeks away. While I was Christmas shopping at Sun and Sport and Peter Glenn, I couldn't resist picking up a few items just for me. So, I'm set. How about you? As you've heard, we have had a great response for all of our trips this year. I am

pleased to report that we even have wait lists for most of our ski trips. If you have not yet signed up, get on a waitlist as you may still have a chance. There is plenty of fun to go around.

I am also thrilled to report that the announcement of our planned trip to Egypt and Israel has been received with overwhelming support. Based on e-mails and personal comments, we expect the this trip will be selling out quickly. Those of you who have ventured to Africa, India, and Greece and Turkey, know that we are planning a thrill of a lifetime. If you are looking for a great primer for Egypt, why not check out King Tut Exhibit. The Club has reserved a wad of tickets and we are planning on making an afternoon of it. I am so excited to see such an important discovery. I'm looking forward to seeing some of Tut's cousins later on this year when we hit the pyramids. We have other cultural events planned this month. One of my favorites is the concert at the Barnacle. January weather is perfect for laying out on a blanket under the stars with some smuggled-in wine, cheese, and crackers listening to great music. If I know our group, a bunch of us will be up front dancing. Finally, I am glad to see that we were able to put a Dine-A-Round on the calendar. Provence Grill is a Brickell dining classic. As I read the menu, I think we've done an excellent job in bringing you an awesome gourmet experience at an excellent value. Bon appetit!

As I mentioned last month, your board of directors has been working feverishly. Not only are we now in ski season, we are also in the midst of planning for next year. We already are working on our contracts for Steamboat and Big Sky, trying to secure the best flights and lodging. With in the next few months we will be adding the other trips to the roster. We are also preparing for the changing of our EC guard. We announced the 2006 elections and I am pleased that we have seen interest in many of our positions. We will also be looking for board members as well. As I have always preached, this Club belongs to you and it is up to you to keep it going. See you on the slopes

Cheers!!

Cathy Stahlmann (305) 607-8840
president@miamiskiclub.net

Don't forget to look up the latest information on our web site: miamiskiclub.com

Upcoming events

February 9, 2006 (Thursday)
Theater – Southern Comforts (Coconut Grove)

February 11, 2006 (Saturday)
Dancing – (Broward – Hollywood)

February 25, 2006 (Saturday)
Canoeing/Biking – (Miami)

March 25, 2006 (Saturday)
Theater – Gold Diggers (Miami)

Elections '06

The application period for Miami Ski Club Executive committee positions closed at the end of December. In our February Newsletter we will be announcing the slate of nominees. If we have multiple candidates running for a single position, we plan a special elections meeting. Board of Director positions are nominated by the President. If you are interested in joining the Board please contact Cathy Stahlmann at president@miamiskiclub.net.

Above board

In December, the Board met for a special planning session. The purpose of this meeting was to brainstorm ideas to enhance the administration of the Club. The Board took a very critical look at what has gone well and where we need to improve. The Board also provided ideas for areas we would like to change. On the positive side, the Club has made significant strides in improving our communications with the membership, strengthening Club morale, and developing innovative trips, Special Events, Happy Hours, and Snowballs. Our attendance at our membership events and Club trips has been excellent. Areas for change and improvement include providing more events for our Broward members, streamlining our administrative processes, and automating where we can. We will also can do a better job of tracking the attendance at our various events. We need to get a better handle on what events are most successful. Developing new members continues and we are seeking innovative ways to reach out. We also need to draw more members into volunteering on our various committees. It is important to develop the next generation of leaders. Our Board has plenty of great ideas and we look forward to putting things in motion. Throughout the next months we will keep you informed on our progress.

Egypt & Israel '06

Just to keep everyone updated. We are in the process of finalizing our proposed itinerary. George Ondricek will be heading to Egypt & Israel within the next few months to check out accommodations, restaurants, tours, and transportation. Sounds glamorous, but not really. Endless meetings with tour operators, reviewing countless venues and hotels, and tightening schedules and logistics is extremely hard work. But, it is in the details where the MSC makes a difference. Stay tuned.



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King Tut exhibit

Sunday, January 8, 2006, 3 PM
Museum of Art - One East Las Olas Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Since the discovery of his tomb in 1922, Tutankhamun has captured the hearts of people around the world. "Buried with him were treasures beyond the imagination, giving us a glittering glimpse into the past," said Zahi Hawass, secretary general of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities.

"It has been almost 30 years since the golden artifacts of the boy-king last left Egypt. Now Tutankhamun is back, giving a new generation the chance to learn firsthand about the life and magic of this ancient monarch." The exhibit includes 50 major artifacts excavated from Tutankhamun's tomb, including his royal diadem — the gold crown discovered encircling the head of the king's mummified body and gold and inlaid canopic coffinettes that contained his mummified internal organs.

Price for all — **\$35.75**. Make checks payable to the Miami Ski Club and mail to **Sandy Londono** c/o Joseph J. Blake and Associates 4000 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Ste 410, Coral Gables, FL 33146. For more information call Sandy at **(305) 663-2964** or e-mail her at specialevent@miamiskiclub.com.



KEYSTONE GETAWAY

Ski members and friends - get cozy by the fire of an 800 sq. ft. Studio in Keystone, CO. LIFTSIDE Condo sleeps 3 / 4 people comfortably, fireplace, pool & Jacuzzi. Daily rental - \$100. Call Bobbi @ (305) 751-4939.

TIME SHARE TO RENT

Poste Montaine
Beaver Creek

Ski in ski out - sleeps 6
Feb 11-16, 2006
Continental Breakfast
included.

Call Helen Baker
561-416-1091
Price Negotiable



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8	9	10	11	12	13 6 pm TOBACCO ROAD Miami	14 COPPER SKI TRIP DEPARTS
15	16	17 <i>Board meeting</i>	18	19	20 6 pm GRAND CAFE Coconut Grove	21 SNOWMASS SKI TRIP DEPARTS
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